

# The State CSBG Director's Digest

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*"Building capacity in States  
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The State CSBG Director's Digest is a daily publication that brings you timely information about funding opportunities, resources, events, and publications that may be of interest to the CSBG network.

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### 2009 and 2010 Stand Down Grant Award

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

The U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) continues to support local Stand Down events that assist homeless veterans. A Stand Down is an event held in a local community where homeless veterans are provided with a wide variety of social services including employment assistance. [Learn more...](#)

### Coca-Cola Foundation

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

The mission of The Coca-Cola Foundation is to improve the quality of life in the community through a focus on water stewardship, healthy active lifestyles, community recycling, and education. [Learn more...](#)

## EVENTS

### The Scouting Report: President Obama's Budget Proposal (Web Chat)

Wednesday, February 3; 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM ET

On Wednesday, February 3, Isabel Sawhill will discuss the release of the federal budget and what it will mean for the coming fiscal year in a live web chat moderated by POLITICO's senior editor Fred Barbash. Registration is encouraged, but not required. You may send advance questions to [ScoutingReport@brookings.edu](mailto:ScoutingReport@brookings.edu). [Learn more...](#)

### The President's Budget Explained

Friday, February 5; 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM ET

A unique opportunity for advocates in Washington and around the country to learn together about President Obama's FY 2011 budget. Bob Greenstein is a much-celebrated federal budget expert. A recipient of many prestigious awards, including in 2008 the Heinz Award for Public Policy for his work to "improve the economic outlook of many of America's poorer citizens," he will provide an overview of the Obama budget and the short- and long-term challenges in working to meet the needs of low-income people and restore the nation's economic health. Deborah Weinstein has tracked human needs spending at the state and federal levels for 30 years. Each year she helps advocates and policy-makers to understand the impact of budgets on low-income people, why it matters for our nation's future, and effective actions advocates can take. [Learn more...](#)

### USDA/FNS: Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Webinars

Monday, February 8: 11:00am-12:00pm EST

Tuesday, February 23: 11:00am-12:00pm EST

Thursday, February 25: 3:00pm-4:00pm EST

The Office of Community Services (OCS) is working in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to share information about the Summer Food Service Program and encourage participation in this program to help provide meals to low-income children during summer months. As part of this effort, the USDA/FNS and OCS are co-hosting a webinar targeted to eligible entities within the Community Services Block Grant program. We encourage you to forward this message to your eligible entities so that organizations that do not currently participate in the FNS program can obtain more information. [Learn more...](#)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Boosting Paychecks: The Politics of Supporting America's Working Poor**

Daniel P. Gitterman, Brookings Institution Press 2009 c.  
250pp

Forging a new political bargain that balances labor market flexibility with security for poor working families is one of the most critical challenges facing government today. Boosting Paychecks sheds new light on the scope of this challenge and the political constraints and opportunities policymakers face. [Learn more...](#)

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